

Court denies appeal of gambling cheat included in Black Book

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CARSON CITY – The Nevada Supreme Court has denied the appeal of Brent Eli Morris, convicted of illegally entering Las Vegas casinos while a member of the Black Book and cheating at craps.

Morris says he was never notified he was included on the list that bars individuals from going into Nevada casinos.

He says he was in prison in February 1994 when the Nevada Gaming Commission placed his name in the list of excluded people. He was serving a seven-year term for cheating at a Lake Tahoe casino.

After a four-day trial in Las Vegas in March 2011, he was convicted of four counts of violating the exclusion by the Black Book at the Orleans, Gold Coast, Excalibur and Caesars Palace.

He was also convicted of two counts of cheating at craps for placing bets after the dice was thrown. He received an 8- to 20-year prison term.

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